WASHINGTON.

The Cuban Question in the United States-Eaforement of our Neutralny Laws-The Administration and Unuan Agents - Why the United States Old Not July with Pera and Mexico in Mecognizing Caba-Reply of the Spanish Government to Stelles' Note.

There have been so many ramors, in connection with facts, relative to the Cuban question, that the real situation of addies seems generally to be imperfectly understood. But it is known that ever since the present administration came into power efforts have been made in good faith to enforce the Neutrality laws, both against the Spanish Government and the agents of the Cubans in this country.

On the presentation or reception of such offieinl or other trustworthy information, either from our own officers or those acting for the Spanish Government, as justified proceedings in the premises, while sedulously endeavoring to strictly observe our treaty obligations with Spain, the Government has not been numindful of those due by Spain to the United States. Our Government has frequently been approached by agents or alleged ministers, acting on behalf of the Cubans, desiring the recognition of belligerent rights; in other words, that they may be piaced on the same national footing with Spain. And the United States Government was also asked to follow the example of Mexico and Peru, and other South American republies, and thus officially encourage the Cubans in their struggle

The reasons for not acquiescing in such appeals are based upon the law of nations, the condition of the island not justifying, in the opinion of the Administration, the recognition of the Cuban flag. Nor has any satisfactory evidence been produced to show that there is a defacto government of the Cubans, possessing the powers essential to its maintenance and character. The sympathy of the Government has always been with the Cubans; but this, under the peculiar existing circumstances attending the question, could not be distinctly manifested by official acts in connection with movements in the field; but it is known that the Govern ment has recently sought to induce Spain to consent to the independence of the island, and thus avoid further bloodshed. There was not, as has been frequently stated, any offer of "mediation" by Minister Sickles, as the use of that would imply or suggest the existence of war between equally recognized powers, and was, therefore, avoided in the correspondence and interviews with the Spanish Government. The 'good offices" of the United States have been tendered, as they can always be employed, be-tween parties, one of whom is not acknowledged by the other, without the implication of any recognition of nationality, or even of belligreency. The tender of good offices was super-induced by certain parties who had visited the Spanish capital in order to effect an accommo-

They represented to this Government that they had had interviews with some of the most influential statesmen and soldiers of the Regency, who were favorable to the proposed plan of adjustment, which contemplated the payment by the Cubans of the estmanted value of public buildings, fortifications, etc., and the abolition of slavery in the island. While there seemed to be an earnest and bonest disposition to acouiesce in such an arrangement, it was suggested that the Cubaus must lay down their arms be-fore negotiations could be commenced. But to this preliminary the Cubaus promptly refused to assent; for in such an event they would be at the mercy of the Spaniards, without a guarantee of securing their object, namely, their national independence. Rendered powerless by the sur-render of their means of defense, their only alternative would be submission.

Besides, some of those who, it was represented, favored the plan, did not feel at liberty to openly advocate the surrender of Cuba, as in their opinion it would be an admission that the Spanish Government was not sufficiently strong to deal with its rebellious subjects, and that such surrender would also serve to complicate the troubles already existing in Spain. The note of Minister Sickles, tendering the good offices of the United States, was courteous in its terms, with due respect to Spanish pride. It gave no offense, contrary to assertions to that effect both in Europe and the United States. Nor is it true that the Spanish Government sought to influence foreign powers in its behalf for the retention of Cuba.

The reply of the Spanish Government to the te of Minister Sickles was equally courteous. While it was deemed impolitic to cutertain the proposition for parting with the island of Cuba on the terms suggested, the Regency, nevertheless, expressed its thanks to the United States for the tender of their friendly offices. The tender having been declined, the note was withdrawn in conformity with diplomatic usage The question, as a consequence, now stands exactly as it did before the offer was made, leaving nounkind feeling between the two coun-

tries, and nothing to regret on either side.

Thus the sympathy of the administration was manifested, not in assisting the Cubaus by facilitating reinforcements of troops and supplies of arms-for this would have been violative of treaty obligations with Spain-but in a way justified by the law of nations, and in the interests of peace. This Government, notwithstanding rejection of the tender of good offices, should circumstances justify the repetition.

It will, meantime, pursue the course already indicated, namely, enforce the Neutrality laws and hold itself in readiness to serve the cause of Cuban independence in such manner as may not violate the treaty obligations. But it will not allow itself to be drawn into complications with Spain or any other European power, preferring to follow the paths of beace, as afferding the best means of accomplishing all the ends desirable in republics, and assisting those who struggle for independence.—Inquirer.

GENERALITIES.

Polite Life in Paris. In Paris a fashionable young woman seems to think that she has married in order to be able to run sbont the world and amuse herself: balls, concerts, visits, the turf, do not leave a moment of rest day or night. Later in the year comes the watering-places and bains-de-mer. Whether he likes it or not, the husband must share this exulerance of excitement; he is often bored and often remonstrates, but the wire employs all her grace, skill and seductiveness, which God had given her for a very different use, to induce him to yield. If she has married a literary man, an orator, or a philosopher, and he takes up a book to escape from this whiri, she pouts (which is thought charming when she is twenty), dances round him, puts on her bonnet, comes back, sits down, gets up, looks repeatedly in the glass, takes up her rieves, and cade by an explosion against all books and reading, which are of no use but to make a man absent and unbearable. For the sake of peace the husband throws away his book, loses the habit of reading, and in time, miling to raise his companion to his standard, he sinks down to hers.—Les shout the world and amuse herself: balls, concerts panion to his standard, he sinks down to hers,-Lee

Perits of a Light-House Keeper.

Mr. Thomas Earle, the keeper of the beacon-light at this port, did not like the looks of things at about 6 P. M. on Monday. The wind was blowing from the southwest, carrying the waves with great force over the light-house. He determined to leave it and go ashore ever the bar. He made the attempt, but the lide was too high, and he had to retrace his steps. As the storm proceeded the tower was carried away, the bell borne overboard, the window glass and globes broken. The lower part of the light-house was filled with water. The seas broke over the upper part of it, but Mr. Earle closed the hatchway to keep the water from getting down upon him is the centre part. But the lamp having lost its glass covering, and the fames being still burning, fanned by the storm, set on fire the woodwork, and threatened to add the sublime element of a configuration Perils of a Light-House Keeper. to the terrors of the winds and waves. Mr. Earle, however, managed to put an unbroken globe over the lamp, to extinguish the fire, and to seize hold of the swinging lantern, both his hands being thus occupied, and so to remain from tito 4:30 o'clock in the morning when he something shore. He markets morning, when he sought he shore. He passed a most miserable night and morning in the light-house-passed through perils of wind and water and fire that night appal the stootest heart—and has his faith in wooden light-houses completely shaken.—N.

A Rumored Alliance.

Paris Correspondence Lundon Daily Notes. Paris Correspondence London Paris Nois.

I must not allow the all-absorbing interest of the Pantin murders to prevent me from mentioning a piece of political news, which, if true—and subject, of course, to the inaccuracies which inevitably beset revelations of diplomatic secrets, I believe this to be true—is of very great importance. Lord Clarendon,

Lam told, had a mission when he latery paid a visit to St. Chard. The prospect of the death of Napoleon III, which a rew weeks ago everybody was brought to compiler a more thru possible proximate event, led the Great Powers to consider what might be the consequences. And, if I amrightly informed, Austria, Prusela, Russia and Emgland came to an understanding as to the course which they would pursue under given circumstances, the object heims to preserve peace, check the contagion of a revolution in France, and as a means conductive to those ends not to thwart German unity. Lord Charendon's delicate task was to make the French Emperor aware of this agreement between the four Powers. The announcement was received, as was to be expected, by many assurances that mobody could be more desirous than the Emperor to preserve the peace of Europe. Should the advice really be taken in mood part, the happilest results may be expected. Divested of diplomatic compliments, I believe the intention of the Powers had been to tell the Emperor how his hands are tied, so far as regards any attempt to comout opposition at home by the diversion of war. Coincidently, I have no doubt that every effort will be made to induce Prussia, whether on the Baden or any other question, not to give any provocation to France. Prevocation would be a godsend to the war party. I am happy to believe that, whatever may happen to the French dynasty, the good sense of the world will prevent a general war. world will prevent a general wer.

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

For additional Marine News see First Page, ALMANAG FOR PHILADELPHIA-THIS DAY.

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Mails are forwarded by every steamer in the regular lines.
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Schrs J. H. Wainwright, Abrams, and Helen M. Waite, McRae, hence, at Newburyport 10th inst.

Schrs Churles A. Groiner, Hervey, from Providence for Philadelphia, and H. Chave, Pratt, hence for Hartford, passed Hell Gate 11th inst.,

Schr Sylvan, Young, cleared at Jacksonville, 5th inst., for Philadelphia.

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Schr D. Gifford, Jirrell, bence, at Salem Sth inst.
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Schrs A. G. Fuckley, Buckley, and J. W. Crawford,
Young, hence, at Danvers, 5th inst.
Schrs George Fales. Crowell, and Eliza B. Emery,
Clayton, sailed from Providence 9th Inst., for Philadelphia. phia.
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